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CURRENT VERSION OF THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (Previously presented): A polarizing plate comprising a polarizing film, the polarizing film comprising:

a first portion having a polarization degree of 99% or more at each wavelength of light for wavelengths of 420 to 550 nm, and

a second portion having a polarization degree of 99% or more at each wavelength of light for wavelengths of 550 to 700 nm,

wherein the first portion and the second portion are laminated.

- 2. (Original): The polarizing plate according to claim 1, wherein the first portion and the second portion are laminated by an adhesive.
- 3. (Original): The polarizing plate according to claim 2, wherein a refractive index of the adhesive is in a range of 1.46 to 1.52.
- 4. (Original): The polarizing plate according to claim 2, wherein the adhesive is a polyvinyl alcohol-based adhesive.
- 5. (Original): The polarizing plate according to claim 2, wherein the adhesive is a urethane-based adhesive.
- 6. (Original): The polarizing plate according to claim 1, wherein the first portion and the second portion are laminated by a pressure-sensitive adhesive.

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7. (Original): The polarizing plate according to claim 6, wherein a refractive index of the pressure-sensitive adhesive is in a range of 1.46 to 1.52.

- 8. (Previously presented): The polarizing plate according to claim 1, wherein the first portion having a first absorption axis and a polarization degree of 99% or more at each wavelength of light for wavelengths of 420 to 550 nm and the second portion having a second absorption axis and a polarization degree of 99% or more at each wavelength of light for wavelengths of 550 to 700 nm are laminated so that the first and second absorption axes are disposed in parallel to each other.
- 9. (Original): The polarizing plate according to claim 1, further comprising a reflector or a transreflector attached to the polarizing plate.
- 10. (Original): The polarizing plate according to claim 1, further comprising a retardation plate or a λ plate attached to the polarizing plate.
- 11. (Original): The polarizing plate according to claim 1, further comprising a viewing angle compensating film attached to the polarizing plate.
- 12. (Previously presented): The polarizing plate according to claim 1, further comprising a brightness enhancement film attached to the polarizing plate.
- 13. (Previously presented): A liquid crystal display comprising on at least one side of a liquid crystal cell;
 - a polarizing plate comprising a polarizer, the polarizer comprising:
 - a first portion having a polarization degree of 99% or more at each wavelength of light for

wavelengths of 420 to 550 nm, and

a second portion having a polarization degree of 99% or more at each wavelength of light for wavelengths of 550 to 700 nm,

wherein the first portion and the second portion are laminated.

14. (Previously presented): A liquid crystal display comprising on at least one side of a liquid crystal cell;

a polarizing plate comprising a polarizer, the polarizer comprising:

a first portion having a polarization degree of 99% or more at each wavelength of light for wavelengths of 420 to 550 nm, and

a second portion having a polarization degree of 99% or more at each wavelength of light for wavelengths of 550 to 700 nm,

wherein the first portion and the second portion are laminated by an adhesive.

15. (Previously presented): A liquid crystal display comprising on at least one side of a liquid crystal cell;

a polarizing plate comprising a polarizer, the polarizer comprising:

a first portion having a polarization degree of 99% or more at each wavelength of light for wavelengths of 420 to 550 nm, and

a second portion having a polarization degree of 99% or more at each wavelength of light for wavelengths of 550 to 700 nm,

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wherein the first portion and the second portion are laminated by a pressure-sensitive adhesive.

- 16. (Previously presented): The polarizing plate according to claim 1, wherein an adhesive layer is provided on the polarizing plate and exposed at a surface thereof, and a separator for preventing contamination is provided on the adhesive layer.
- 17. (Previously presented): The polarizing plate according to claim 1, wherein the first portion and the second portion are directly laminated.
- 18. (Previously presented): The polarizing plate according to claim 2, wherein the first portion and the second portion are directly laminated by the adhesive.
- 19. (Previously presented): The polarizing plate according to claim 1, wherein the first portion has a polarization degree of 99.3% or more at each wavelength of light for wavelengths of 420 to 550 nm, and the second portion has a polarization degree of 99.3% or more at each wavelength of light for a wavelengths of 550 to 700 nm.
- 20. (Previously presented): The polarizing plate according to claim 1, wherein the first portion has a polarization degree of 99.5% or more at each wavelength of light for wavelengths of 420 to 550 nm, and the second portion has a polarization degree of 99.5% or more at each wavelength of light for a wavelengths of 550 to 700 nm.
- 21. (Previously presented): The polarizing plate according to claim 1, wherein the polarizing plate transmits a linearly polarized light having a predetermined polarization axis.
- 22. (Previously presented): The liquid crystal display according to claim 13, wherein the polarizing plate is located on one side of the liquid crystal cell.
 - 23. (Previously presented): The liquid crystal display according to claim 22, wherein the

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polarizing plate transmits a linearly polarized light having a predetermined polarization axis.

24. (Previously presented): The liquid crystal display according to claim 14, wherein the polarizing plate is located on one side of the liquid crystal cell.

- 25. (Previously presented): The liquid crystal display according to claim 24, wherein the polarizing plate transmits a linearly polarized light having a predetermined polarization axis.
- 26. (Previously presented): The liquid crystal display according to claim 15, wherein the polarizing plate is located on one side of the liquid crystal cell.
- 27. (Previously presented): The liquid crystal display according to claim 26, wherein the polarizing plate transmits a linearly polarized light having a predetermined polarization axis.
- 28. (Previously presented): An optical member comprising an optical layer which is the polarizing plate according to claim 1 and at least one other optical layer.
- 29. (Previously presented): An optical member comprising an optical layer which is the polarizing plate according to claim 1 and at least two other optical layers.
- 30. (Previously presented): An optical member comprising a polarizing plate according to claim 1 and an adhesive layer exposed on a surface of the optical member for adhesion with other members.
- 31. (Previously presented): An optical member according to claim 30, wherein the adhesive layer is temporarily covered with a separator.
- 32. (Previously presented): A polarizing plate according to claim 1, wherein a transparent protective film is provided on a side of the polarizing film.
- 33. (Previously presented): A polarizing plate according to claim 32, wherein no protective film is provided between the first and second portions of the polarizing film.

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34. (Previously presented): A polarizing plate according to claim 1, wherein the first portion and the second portion are directly laminated by the adhesive, and a transparent protective layer is provided on one side or both sides of the polarizing film.